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June 12, 1929

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson, Second Presbyterian Church, East Jersey St., near Broad, Elizabeth, N.J.

My dear Doctor:

Thank you so much for your letter of June 6th.

Do I understand that October 22nd is a definite engagement, or shall I await for further word from you before marking it down on my calendar?

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Robinson,

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June 13, 1929.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Robinson:-

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant, permit me to say that our Presbyterian Historical Library is limited fairly strictly in accord with its name. So that on the subject of colonial history in general you could doubtless more material elsewhere to your purpose.

On the other hand, if you were to have a chapter or treatment of the place or influence of Presbyterianism in your study, we have a shelf full of books which tell the story of "Old Bergen," "Old Tennent," of the development of the denominational life in and around Elizabeth, Paterson, Trenton, and in various other parts of the State, during the colonial period.

Our Library is open daily from 9 o'clock to 5, except Saturday, when we close at noon, and of course are closed Sunday. As we are a consulting Library only, Mohammed must come here to the mountain instead of vice versa. We shall not be able to furnish you much in the way of bibliographies. But such facilities and assistance as we can give will be gladly rendered. A visit at least would disclose to you what we have, and you could then be your own judge of what help our collection might be to you.

Very sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

ORGANIZATION

1. PURPOSE

The Elizabeth Council of Churches is formed for the purpose of directing and promoting the interests of the Kingdom of Christ through united religious and civic activities with the view of the avoiding of duplication of effort and the conserving of results.

2. MEMBERSHIP

The Elizabeth Council of Churches shall consist of the ministers of all Christian churches of Elizabeth and vicinity desiring to affiliate therewith and one lay delegate or alternate elected by each of said churches, and also include the executive officer and one lay delegate or alternate from the Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. and such other religious organizations as might from time to time be accepted for membership.

3. OFFICERS

At the first regular meeting of the Council the following officers shall be elected: A President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer and an Executive Secretary. These officers shall be elected by the Council annually at the October meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected and installed.

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Council, the Chairmen of the various standing committees and also a representative from each denomination in the Council not already represented on this Committee.

5. FINANCES

The expenses of the Council shall be provided by the churches co-operating and so far as practical be based upon the membership strength and the financial ability of each individual church.

6. PROGRAM

The program shall deal with immediate religious and civic needs of the churches and the community and be developed as occasion justifies. Each activity undertaken shall be handled by a standing or special committee whose functions shall be determined by the Council in accordance with the nature of each activity. Activities may be promoted without involving the unanimous participation of all of the churches who are members of the Council.

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June 14,1929

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson. Second Presbyterian Church. East Jersey Street, Near Broad, Elizabeth, N.J.

My dear Mr. Robinson.

It was a great pleasure to receive your letter of June 10th and we shall be glad in our offices here to cooperate with you here in every way that we can: My suggestion would be that you come in some time and talk the whole matter over with Dr. Schell, or if he is not here with Dr. Downs.

Az to the dollar proposal, I wonder whether that might not keep away some men whom you would want to reach, and whether it might not be better to urge each man to give far more than a dollar immediately after the dinner to the foreign missions cause through his own church. Perhaps you plan is the best, but I should think that before settling on it finally it would be well if you would talk it over thoroughly with Dr. Cobb and Dr. Schell.

As to speakers, we will do our very best to supply some good speakers but we will have to keep in mind the special arrangements which are being made this year in the matter of zoning the country both as to synods and as to months between the three Boards. Our Board is to have full right of way in the East in October and November and the Board of National Missions in January and February. The Board of National Missions, accordingly would be expecting to have an uninterrupted opportunity during those two months in New England as our Board will have it this year in September and October. We could run over a little into December. September and October. year probably we shall be alotted January and February in the East. This also I think it would be well to talk over with Dr. Schell.

I am sure Mr. Russell and Mr. Wheeler would both be glad to do anything they could to help you with the African pictures and all the rest of us will give what aid we can as well.

I am sending your letter to Dr. Schell's office, although he is away now for a few days.

I am glad that you are to be at Northfield this summer, and rejoice in all the good news that one hears about your work in the Second Church.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours, And Span

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June twenty-seventh. 1929.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, Second Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

I have your letter of June 25th. I remember the situation regarding you and I think you have the records clear and the calculations entirely correct.

Your membership in the Plan began April 1, 1928 on the salary basis of \$5520., which continued until December 31, 1928. Your earned annuity in the Service Pension Plan on that basis would be \$51.75. Beginning January 1, 1929, your salary basis was \$8000. Your earned annuity on that basis from January 1, 1929 to July 21, 1958 will approximate \$2950. This, of coursre, will give you a total earned annuity on your 65th birthday of more than \$3000. I have no hesitancy in saying that by that time the maximum will have been increased so that you will receive all that you have earned. At the present time, of course, the maximum annuity at 65 is \$2000.

With every good wish,

Cordially yours,

Teid J. Ducksml Associate Secretary.

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